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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants respectfully direct the Examiner's attention to the documents listed below and on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. A copy of each non-U.S. patent document so listed is enclosed.

Japan 2001-144920
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Japan 2003-259097

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The foregoing documents were cited in an Office Action dated February 27, 2009 in Japanese Application No. 2004-090064, which is a counterpart application of co-pending U.S. Application No. 10/536,866.

English language abstracts for the Japanese documents have been located and are submitted herewith for the Examiner's consideration. The concise explanation of relevance for each of the Japanese documents is believed to be satisfied by the English abstracts. See MPEP § 609.

This application has received a final action under 37 C.F.R. § 1.113. Accordingly, in view of the date of the Japanese Office Action, Applicants submit that each document in this Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Statement. In addition, as required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(d), a fee of \$180.00 accompanies this Information Disclosure Statement.

The Examiner is urged to study this information in entirety and to form an independent determination of the materiality of the information to the claimed invention. Additionally, the Examiner is requested to indicate that this information has been considered by initialing the appropriate portion of Form PTO-1449 and returning the initialed form to Applicants.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, California office at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

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